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Mitchell Werbell, the arms merchant mentioned in the second graph, appears almost certainly to be the Mitchell Livingston Wer Bell III (two words cq) who was among those arrested the night of Jan. 2, 1967, at Marathon near Key West, Fla., along with Orlando Masferrer et al as they were about to push off on an invasion of Haiti.

Our files are incomplete, but indicate that Wer Bell, then 48, of Powder Springs, Ga., was among those indicted by a Miami grand jury, but to a lesser extent than the other defendants, on Feb. 27.

The trial ended Nov. 16 that year with conviction of Masferrer and five others, including an American seaman from Miami named Martin F.X. Casey, but Wer Bell is not listed. We have no record as to what happened to the indictment against him.

Masferrer and the others were sentenced Feb. 27, 1968.

These dates are noted to help you refer to your undoubtedl y more complete files in case you need to.

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